

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. President. We collected state aid from July 1 to December 31. LB 33 took the blame. I remember distinctly the press releases by those who were so nobly engaged in the vote saying the only reason we had to increase the revenue act was because of 33. No other reason. Now then my question to this body is what happened to almost \$20 million collected under 33. Where is it? How are we going to use it? It is awfully nice to blame a piece of legislation for that revenue increase, and then suddenly not be able to find the dollars. My question to the body is what happened to the \$20 million? Why can't we place it in a trust fund and get ready to meet next years obligation for state aid?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator DeCamp has an amendment, but I understand he wishes to lay that over in favor of an amendment offered by Senator Lamb. That amendment can be found on page 1361 of the Legislative Journal.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President, I would temporarily withdraw that amendment and defer to Senator Lewis.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment is then offered by Senator Frank Lewis. Would you like me to read that, Senator? Read amendment found on pages 1377 and 1378 of the Journal.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. President, an attempt to put together what I said was a bill that we all could live with. There is desire, on the part of some, to make sure that the money is there and is not thrown in the lap of the Legislature the next time after the people have successfully defeated the attempted referendum. In order not to create any problems, in terms of this years appropriation levels, in terms of encumbering money that perhaps may not be needed, I simply ask you to direct the Board of Equalization that in their November 15th meeting they will set the rates necessary to reflect the wishes of the people in regard to state aid to education. That is my amendment. I move the adoption.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lamb. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, worked on this for six or seven months now. We have a tenuous compromise or understanding, at least lay everything out here on the floor, at least good until Select File, as I guess the understanding is. Senator Lewis is willing, as I understand it now, so we'll lay all the cards out, Senator Lewis, are you listening? Do you care? Okay. It is my understanding you have pulled off your \$6.1 million amendment. Before I agree to this I want to have it out here. Are you going to go along with my \$7.5 million amendment, that would pull some money.... What? It takes a quarter of a million or so from you, but maybe a few dollars a few other places. Gives a more fair distribution of this money, I think.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Well, Senator DeCamp, as you know I don't make public deals. However, it appears that I have withdrawn the amendment. It appears that Senator Lamb has withdrawn the amendment. It appears there is only one left, after we have this one it's yours.

SENATOR DeCAMP: I know, but you see if you get yours....